

COMMENT OF A MINER

On Testimony Offered at the Durr Mine Inquiry.

HELD AT SMITHTON LAST WEEK

Chain Machine He Says Is Condemned Because of the Dust It Makes. Recommendations Made by the Mine Inspectors.

A well known and experienced miner makes the following comment on the Coroners' inquest of the Durr mine disaster, recently held at Smithton:

"In reading the evidence given before the coroner's jury at Smithton last week the point is emphasized that the dry and dusty mine is a dangerous mine, and to remedy this a number of recommendations are made. If all are carried out the price of coal will be greatly increased or the wages of the miners reduced to a point where the miners will be compelled to seek another vocation. The danger is we may pass such stringent laws that the industry in our State will be crippled and placed at a serious disadvantage compared with other coal mining districts."

The chain machine is condemned on account of the dust made by it. To banish the chain machine we not only destroy a great amount of capital and reduce the output of our mines, but we drive the miner back to the pick or the punching machine, either of which is much slower and harder work for the miner.

"We know that the chain machine is a dust producer, it cut actors a room 18 feet wide and 8½ feet deep will produce 38 cubic feet of fine dust and if a charge of inflammable powder is used to blast the coal down on this dust we can readily imagine what may happen.

"Instead of allowing this dust to lie and be loaded with the coal, why not do as some of our coal companies are now doing, come get the miners to load the dust in a mine wagon and send it out in his wagon to be cleaned before any blasting is done? If this is done the danger of fires and explosions from the fine dust is eliminated. It is not the dust scattered through the mine that starts fires or explosions. This dust will spread and internally an explosion, but all we evidence we have goes to prove that the heat and flame from a blast is the initial cause of our fires and explosions."

Remove the dust as fast as made and we remove one of the prime factors. This will cost but little, and the use of a small amount of water on the dry mine floor after the dust is loaded makes the mine as safe with the chain machine as with any other machine we can use.

"The other recommendations of the Mine Inspectors are to the point and if carried out will reduce the number of fatalities in our mines and make the coal industry what it should be, a safe occupation."

GREAT SURPLUS

Of the United States Steel Corporation Which Amounts to More Than \$10,000,000

Special to The Courier:

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—With a sum plus of more than \$10,000,000 and cash holdings of approximately \$75,000,000, the United States Steel Corporation during the coming year will not have to reduce or pass the dividend on its common stock.

Rumors have been current that at the meeting of the directors this month the common dividend would be eliminated until the management was in better position to gauge the future course of the steel industry.

However a representative of the Corporation declared there has been no discussion bearing upon the action of the Directors at the coming meeting. The statement that the Steel Corporation for the last quarter of 1907 would show earnings of not less than \$5,000,000 was the popular estimate until recently. This would enable the Corporation to pay its preferred and common dividends and make all sinking fund depreciation and interest provisions and then show a very comfortable surplus for the quarter. But it is doubtful if the Corporation will show earnings in the present quarter so large. In the first quarter of 1904 net earnings aggregated approximately \$12,500,000. Steel men here do not take a pessimistic view of the situation and believe that the average earnings for the current year will be sufficient to cover the preferred dividends and interest have been earned.

It is said that J. P. Morgan is determined to confine to the common dividend unless he is prevailed upon to suspend or reduce it by other members of the Board. Mr. Morgan is regarded as the most influential director of the Steel Corporation and his opinion will go a long way in shaping the dividend action of the Directors. H. C. Frick stated that while the steel trade was undergoing depression conditions would dictate the course of the day to come.

At a recent meeting of the Presidents of the Associated iron in this city it was decided to recommend to the Directors that the Board of Directors present a document to the effect that no reduction would result from a reduction at this time. However, it is reported that some concessions have been made in

iron bars. Another meeting of the Association is scheduled for this week. No sales of pig iron are being made in this market.

Reports of large rail orders have been current this week, but according to the best information obtainable the railroads are not rushing to buy rails. The New York Central and the Pennsylvania will have to buy some rails this year, but if they take a reasonable proportion of the tonnage required in 1907, the mills will be satisfied.

There are a number of roads that would enter the market at once as potential buyers of steel rails, but they cannot get the money. A large majority of the United States Steel Corporation says the railroads will take a few of the higher priced rails this year, simply because they do not wish to increase operating expenses on falling earnings.

ADVANCE SALE OPENS

For "Mrs. Temple's Telegram" and "Great Divide" at Selsdon.

The advance sale for "The Great Divide" and Mrs. Temple's Comedy Drama, coming plays at the Selsdon Theatre, opened at the theatre box office this morning. "Mrs. Temple's Telegram" is in a Pittsburgh this week, and this morning received complimentary press notices.

The same company comes to the Selsdon next week.

Mrs. Gibbons Owe No Rent.

Mrs. Lida Gibbons who appeared some weeks ago as plaintiff in a case against DeWitt Stafford is elated over a wordy quarrel about rent does not nor did she owe staff for any rent as has been stated. A relative of Mrs. Gibbons' owed the rent.

Motion for New Trial.

The Royal Arabian and the Grand Opera have filed motions for a new trial in the cases brought by Miss Mollie Davidson of Connellsille.

Died From Burns.

Miss Anna Martin of Pittsfoot, aged 27, died from the effects of burns she received by falling in a flanking spell on a stove three weeks ago.

FENCE POSTS

Of Cheap Woods Are Made to Last For Years by Simple Preparation.

Fence posts of many kinds of cheap wood will last but a short time if set in the ground without being treated with creosote. Most of the so-called fence posts are well adapted to the treatment this, and especially the treatment of eastern hemlock, white pine, and some of the same. When properly treated these woods will last unbroken for a long time, and can be used in any fence in demand for other uses to allow of their becoming fence posts.

Impregnation with creosote has been greatly changed by the introduction of the creosote oil bath, which was first started at a cost of \$600 to \$1,000, or much less, for an oil bath to use. A tank with a bottom 15 square feet in area will suffice for treating 100 to 500 linear posts, each weighing 100 pounds, two tons per acre can be made.

Mr. D. J. Hayes of Toledo, Ohio, is in town to treat fence posts.

Black oak fence posts are treated in oil costs, tank and all, \$100 to \$150 per acre.

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nellsville region, and is better
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STATEMENT OF CIRCULATION.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, COUN-
TY OF FAYETTE, SS:Before me the subscriber, a Notary
Public with the seal and for said county and
State, on the 10th day of January, J. J. Driscoll,
of the village of Connellsville, Fayette
County, being duly sworn according to
law, did dep^o and say:That he is Manager of Circulation of
The Courier, a weekly newspaper published
in Connellsville, Fayette County, and
is Connellsville's only newspaper.The number of papers printed during the
week ending Saturday, January 18,
1908, was as follows:

Month	Total	D.A.V.
January 1	127,785	4,712
January 2	128,085	5,202
January 3	128,085	5,131
January 4	137,814	5,515
January 5	135,005	5,216
January 6	136,914	5,609
January 7	136,914	5,888
January 8	136,914	5,888
January 9	136,914	5,888
January 10	136,914	5,888
January 11	136,914	5,888
January 12	136,914	5,888
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January 27	136,914	5,888
January 28	136,914	5,888
January 29	136,914	5,888
January 30	136,914	5,888
January 31	136,914	5,888
Total	1,001,364	5,199

Total circulation for 1908, 5,199
months.For further information, see
JAS. J. DRISCOLL.Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 20th day of January, 1908.

JOHN KUCHTZ.

TUESDAY EVENING, JAN. 21, 1908.

BRYAN AND BUSINESS
IN THE COKE REGION.Premeditated Democratic pessimism
receives a terrible blow between the
eyes this week in the resumption of
thousands of coke ovens in the Con-
nellsville region and the information
in connection therewith that there are
not enough men to man them.Making all allowance for any op-
timism that may be concealed in this
statement, which may sound more en-
thusiastic than accurate even though
coming from a prominent coke opera-
tor, it may be safely assumed that we
are once more climbing back to bet-
ter times.The rate at which we mount the
heights of prosperity will depend upon
various things, chief among which
may be in nation the monetary sit-
uation, but this has so far corrected it-
self after the remarkable depression
through which we have passed as to
no longer give business men serious
concern.Politics may be said to be the only
remaining disturbing factor. With
the exception of 1904, when the elec-
tion of Roosevelt was discounted,
Presidential contests always have a
depressing effect on business. Enter-
prises halt until the ensuing four
years of government policy has been
definitely ascertained. We may ex-
pect the same condition in 1908.It has been predicted that William
Jennings Bryan will be the Democra-
tic nominee, and we see no reason to
dispute this contention. In fact, we
hope it will prove to be an accurate
judgment. We are unqualified for
Colonel Bryan as the nominee of the
opposition, because we believe his
selection as the Democratic candidate
will go a long way toward clarifying
the situation and quieting any doubts
concerning the future, no matter who
the Republican nominee may be.The reumption of the iron and
coke business indicates that Bryan's
nomination, not to mention his defeat,
is being discounted in business circles.THE RE-UNIVERSATION
OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.The lamentable affliction of the
Connellsville fire department was
again demonstrated Sunday morning.We are informed by the reports
that three alarms were turned in be-
fore the fire of the fire department
began at the fire, chiefly because the
gong which is supposed to be located
in his apartment is still in the house
of the former chief, never having been
jured.removed notwithstanding several re-
monstrances on the part of the present
official head of the department.When the fire department did ar-
rive on the scene, we are further in-
formed that "considerable time was
lost in getting water on the building,
owing to two frozen tanks of hose hav-
ing been placed in the hose line," said
hose it seems having been loaned to a
citizen to clean out a clogged sewer
and was "supposed" to have been re-
turned in good order. The supposition,
however, was a violent one.All this emphasizes the observations
of the Courier a few days ago con-
cerning the inefficiency of the fire
department, chiefly owing to its lack of
organization, and of the further neg-
lect to take proper care of the fire
department's equipment, owing principally
to the absence of individual re-
sponsibility for the same. We urge
the advisability of frequent inspec-
tions of the fire equipment and the
importance of making one certain
man or set of men responsible for its
proper care and its good order when
called into active service.We urge this matter again upon the
Town Council. Its supreme import-
ance is too evident for argument. Con-
tinued lack of care may result in ap-
palling disaster. "Connellsville has
been dead lucky," said an insurance
expert recently. We fear he was quite
right. Our luck may change. We
know not what inopportune moment
the hot breath of fiery destruction
may breathe its devastating blight
upon us if we find us unprepared to
meet off its withering effects.This is no matter for dalliance. It
is a situation that demands action.Chief Rothley's bloodhound suggestion
has struck a popular chord that
brought in the ever-increasing circulation
of the Courier. The village of Rothley
wrote to the offices of Justice
of the Peace at Uniontown demanding not
only bloodhounds but a State Constable,
to use in supressing crime in the
Lower Consolinsville coke region.That he is Manager of Circulation of
The Courier, a weekly newspaper published
in Connellsville, Fayette County, and
is Connellsville's only newspaper.The Fayette Principal's Round Table
gave Connellsville a square deal.Governor Stuart will get better ac-
quainted with the county editors of
Pennsylvania to-night. He will and
they will be a good deal busier
than they were to-night. The fact
that they are the backbone of a great
deal of Pennsylvania sentiment.

The Pennsylvania editors are wise

they will not let the publication of the
laws will be the Governor this evening
and the Pennsylvania editors will be
shown to him that the propounding to
this and were abominated by public spirit
rather than by private graft.It is announced that the Town Coun-
cil will meet to-night, but even John
W. Gates isn't betting on it.The Monongah impasse is over, but
the dead bodies continue to be brought
from the pit. We presume that the in-
quiry concerning them will be dis-
missed with the official entry that these are
"also dead." The execution is now
complete.The farmers' union agrees that the
women are better fancy cooks to-day
than they were in the past, but that
nevertheless they can't look mother could.
This verdict is most dip-
lomatic.The "hump" question is even more
perplexing to the Connellsville author-
ities than The Eternal Question.There is a reported scarcity of labor
in the coke region. The Army of the
Unemployed are filling the empty coke
ovens over which get regular steady
jobs filling them up and carrying them.The unlicensed vendors of Italian
boozes, perhaps imagine that foreign
liquors are not subject to domestic reg-
ulation.The man who carried dynamite in
his pocket will be turned and arrested
for it to-morrow. He may not
have carried it unwillingly, when he carried it
in this statement, but he certainly carried it recklessly.Thinks It's Hobson's Choice.
Columbus Herald.The political storm which has swept
the country for the past several
days, following the arrival of the
Bois Brule, appears to have subsided
just about the time that its ex-
istence might distract him for election
to a third term. The boy is playing
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NEWS OF SCOTTDALE.

Visitor Drops in Hardware Store Injuring John F. Eicher.

Mrs. LIDA HUTCHINSON DEAD.

Family Long Residents of Lower Tyrone Township—Death Was Caused by an Attack of the Grip and Pneumonia.

SCOTTDALE, Jan. 21.—There were a few moments of excitement in the hardware store of Eicher & Graw about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon when the rope holding the balancing weight of the elevator broke, allowing the elevator to drop from the second floor to the basement. John F. Eicher was operating the elevator at the time and his efforts to stop its descent by holding the operating rope lacerated his hands badly. Otherwise no damage was done.

Mrs. Lida Hutchinson died at her home on High street last night after a lingering illness of several weeks from grip and pneumonia. She was 74 years of age and is survived by six children, among the number being Mrs. C. H. Eicher and Mrs. Lewellyn Jones of town. The Hutchinson family was for many years prominent residents of Lower Tyrone township. The funeral will be held Thursday morning at 10 o'clock from the residence on High street. Interment in Concourse cemetery.

Mrs. S. C. Stevenson was called to Seville yesterday afternoon on account of the illness of a child of her son, J. E. Stevenson.

M. C. Hutchinson of Anita, Iowa, and Joseph Hutchinson of Monongahela, Pa., came here yesterday to visit their mother, Mrs. Lida Hutchinson, who has been very ill.

Carlisle Hanes was home from the Carnegie Technical School in Pittsburgh for several days visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Hanes.

Albert Kelsler was a business visitor to Pittsburgh yesterday.

The late Mrs. Annie Moore of Evanson held insurance in the local office of the Ladies of the Maccabees, and yesterday the officials of that order turned over to her beneficiaries a check for \$250, the amount of the policy carried. Mrs. Moore died on January 2, and the check was received hers on Saturday evening.

The gas light at the corner of the borough building which had been ordered placed there some months ago, has at last been put in commission. To improve the lighting service of that part of town, the arc light that had been formerly located there was moved to the corner of Evanson avenue and Short street. A gas light has been placed at both the front and rear corners of the municipal building, the latter having been moved out over no sidewalk from the former location immediately over the lockup door.

The Scottdale friends of George D. Grazier were sorry to hear of his misfortune. While engaged in some work about a saw mill on the farm of his father at Warriors Mark, Pa., he had the misfortune to slip and fall, goring the saw in such a manner that his left hand was badly mangled. An amputation proved to be necessary. Mr. Grazier is a son of C. Grazier, formerly of Scottdale, but now an extensive farmer near Warriors Mark.

Mrs. J. T. Bradley has been critically ill at her home on Pittsburg street for several days. The trouble began with tonsillitis and has developed into a serious affection of the throat. Her condition has been grave for several days with very little show of improvement.

Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Weaver stayed yesterday afternoon visiting friends in Pittsburgh.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Jarrett and Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Jarrett of town, accompanied by J. E. Jarrett, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jarrett of Pittsburg, were in Uniontown yesterday afternoon attending the funeral of Mrs. Sarah Murray.

The members of the Anti-Cigarette League enjoyed a social in the lecture room of the Baptist church last night from 7:30 to 9 o'clock. Rev. W. C. Kunkle, pastor of the church, is the superintendent of the League and had a fine program of entertainment for the boys, the program including refreshments. The League is in a flourishing condition.

Rev. L. Kester, D. D., President of Lebanon Valley College, Annville, Pa., was here yesterday afternoon visiting his brother, A. L. Kester.

Ben A. Writner of town has been appointed administrator of the estate of the late Lloyd Gillin, who died on January 13 at Trotter. Bond was given for \$2,700, with F. P. Rush of Uniontown and William Hay of Evanson as sureties.

SCOTTDALE, Jan. 20.—The first annual memorial service to the Volunteer Fire Company was preached Sunday morning in the Baptist church by the pastor, Rev. E. C. Kunkle. About 40 of the members, dressed in full uniform, were in attendance. During the course of the sermon Rev. Kunkle exhorted the members for the interest they have taken in the organization and the efforts they have put forth to protect property. The company was organized on July 8, 1856, with 23 members, and one chemical engine. The company now numbers 66 members, is equipped with two chemical engines, five hose reels with 3,000 feet of hose, a hook and ladder truck and two Babcock extinguishers. The equipment is housed in three separate buildings in different parts of

the town. There is a special company for each part of the equipment, and each company is properly officered, while each man has a special position for work. There are the customary general officers, and the department is in excellent shape.

This evening Rev. W. C. Weaver, Ph. D., pastor of the M. E. church, began a series of sermons on the Prodigal Son, which will continue throughout the week. The subject for Monday evening was "The Prodigal Going Away From Home"; Tuesday evening, "The Prodigal's Losses"; Wednesday evening, "The Prodigal Coming Home"; Thursday evening, "The Prodigal Coming to Himself"; Friday, "The Prodigal's Rose"; Sunday, "The Prodigal Coming Home." These sermons will be delivered in connection with the revival services that are being held in the church.

The annual congregational business meeting of the Baptist church will be held in the church building on Wednesday evening of this week. The meeting will be preceded by a picnic lunch at the church. All the members are invited to be at the church at 6:30 o'clock with their lunch baskets and spend the time from that hour until 8 o'clock in social gaiety, and then the social session will begin.

The revival services in the United Brethren church will be continued each evening during the week at 7 o'clock. Much interest is being aroused in these meetings.

The funeral of the late C. W. King was held in the U. B. church Sunday afternoon, and the building was crowded with relatives and friends. Mr. King was widely and favorably known.

Miss Bertha Todd spent Sunday with friends in Pittsburgh. Ismae Barnum of Fremont, O., was called here Saturday by the illness of his mother, Mrs. Sara Barnum. Mrs. Barnum had been a mill worker in town for many years, but moved on to Ohio last spring.

Miss May Parker, a student at Wooster Union, Wooster, O., came home on Saturday to spend a week or two with her father, J. S. Parker. Miss Parker had a severe attack of grip since returning to school after the holiday vacation and was advised to come home for a few weeks.

S. L. Porter was a business visitor to Pittsburgh on Saturday.

G. F. Kelly was in Pittsburgh on Saturday on a business mission.

Ralph Overhol of Pittsburgh came out on Saturday evening to spend Sunday with his mother, Mrs. A. S. R. Overhol, at West Overton.

Cole is being drawn today from the 150 ovens fired Saturday at the Valley plant of the H. C. Frick Coke Company. The entire plant had been closed for several weeks.

HANTMAN'S SHOW

At Magic Land This Week Is Packing Little Theatre, So Go in the Afternoon.

Sam Hantman is playing with the S. R. O. Show on this week at Magic Land. He has a bill that packed the Little theatre at all three performances last night. Five of the acts—half a dozen—were headliners. Part of the matter is that Magic Land has outgrown the nickelodeon idea. It's no longer a "store show." It is Connellsville's vaudeville house. This week the bill is the real genuine, stately pure advanced vaudeville, so Sam Hantman's press agent says.

In the bill this week are Mr. and Mrs. Nick Hughes, comedy sketch artists; Jimie, Leslie and Eddie Adams in "Show Folks"; George Atkinson singing and dancing comedian; Paul La Dieu in the "Daffy Dame" and lastly, to the delight of Magic Land patrons, our own Pearl Davenport, without whom no show at the Magic Land would be complete. Last night's audiences expressed themselves by repeated encores.

Since the night shows this week will be crowded, Manager Hantman suggests that as many of the women and children as possible should attend the afternoon performances.

VETERANS' BANQUET.

Second Annual Affair of Frick Men to Be Held in Markell Hall February 12.

The Frick Veterans' Association will hold their second annual reception in Markell Hall Wednesday evening, February 12, beginning at 8 o'clock. The banquet was held last year in January and was a most enjoyable and fashionable affair.

Practically all heads of departments of the company were present at the reception, including Thomas Lynch, President of the H. C. Frick Coke Company. Many interesting addresses were delivered, after which a banquet was served and dancing and cards enjoyed.

The committee in charge of the reception is: W. C. Mullon, D. M. Pigman and J. A. Barnhart.

BACK FROM SOUTH.

Connellsville Sportsmen Had Good Luck in South Carolina. George and J. C. Munson, Anthony Brookman and Frank Bradford are home from a two weeks' hunt in the forests and fields of South Carolina. The men had exceptionally good weather and good luck while on the trip. Quail are particularly plentiful in that State, and the men secured good bunches of them each day they went shooting.

The ideal weather made the trip a most pleasant and enjoyable one.

JAMES MOATS DIES.

Well Known Haydenville Man Succumbs to Injuries. James Moats of Haydenville, aged 79 years, who was injured Sunday in a runaway at Fifechance about ten o'clock afternoon at the "iron" was hospitalized.

Mr. Moats was twice married, his first wife being Edna Peck. After her death he married Lydia Moser. He is survived by seven children, John Moats of Haydenville, Chailes Moats of Fairchance, Mrs. Walter Greenleaf of Mayslerville, Frank Moats of Smithfield, Clark Moats of Haydenville, Miss Belle Moats of Smithfield and Robert of Haydenville.

REGISTRATION.

What It Cost to Register School Children and Voters in Fayette County Last Year.

The following table shows by districts, the cost of registration of the voters and school children of Fayette county during 1907:

Haydenville \$ 56.00

Brownsville 50.50

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THE BOND ISSUE FOR NEW STREETS.

**Councilman John Duggan on
Cost of Street Improvement**

IN THE BOROUGH OF NEW HAVEN

**He Is in Favor of Bond Issue, But
Wants the Voters to Clearly Under-
stand the Situation Before They
Vote at the Coming Election**

**Councilman John Duggan of New
Haven submits the following explana-
tion of the proposed bond issue ques-
tion in New Haven of which he is in
favor:**

"The people of New Haven will vote
on a bond issue on February 18. I
think the following is a plain state-
ment of the facts. We are now about
\$14,500 in debt or about \$3,000 more
than we can legally contract without a
vote authorizing an increase. Under
the terms and misleading audits in past
years I believe we partially re-
sponsible for our unpardonable extravag-
ance which is shown in our present
financial condition. In issuing bonds
on former occasions the levy made to
take care of them was diverted from
its channels and certificates of indebted-
ness issued to take care of them
when due.

This is shown by our statement of
nearly \$3,000 in paving and sewer
funds and the general fund overdrawn
me with a like amount all of which is
illegal costly and in error. I think
this seems to be the policy of some of
our Councilmen and an expression
made by one and supported by nearly
all. What's the difference? We don't
have to pay for it?" explains all
this are paid without question or ver-
ification and business is conducted so
hastily that we never know where we
stand. Our debt at present is about
\$14,500. Our fixed expenses per year
are approximately

Legal about	... \$1,000.00
Police Company	... 1,000.00
Police	600.00
Health Officer about	700.00
Gas	— 900.00
Electricity	100.00
Water	100.00
Int. Tax	800.00
Int. Collector	— 900.00
Dev. Expenses	300.00
Total	\$14,500
Our revenues are approximately	
Tax duplicate about	5,000.00
Police Tax	1,000.00
	\$5,000.00

"This leaves \$1,575 a year to take care of our streets pay house pay for
printing and other incidental expenses. It is hardly necessary to tell you that this amount is insufficient
for the purposes named so in order to pay our indebtedness it will be necessary for the next Council to
make a special levy for this purpose. This may happen that the people
will denounce them for doing too much
of nothing on account of the legis-
lators left them by their predecessors.

"We have made application for State
aid on some of our streets with pro-
pects of having it granted but it will
take more than the residue of the next
years tax duplicate to pay our share
of his expense. So we are confronted
with the fact that it will be impossible
to proceed with any improvements
without a bond issue.

I have made an approximate esti-
mate of what this issue would do
which I submit for your consideration.

First street from Nelson street to
boulevard line about 1,800 feet 30 feet
wide 4,500 square yards paving
and drainage from the boulevard line to
the fence around 1,000 feet 10 feet
wide 1,000 square yards

Third street from the boulevard line to
the fence about 1,000 feet 10 feet
wide 1,000 square yards

Fourth street from the boulevard line to
the fence about 1,000 feet 10 feet
wide 1,000 square yards

Fifth street from the boulevard line to
the fence about 1,000 feet 10 feet
wide 1,000 square yards

Total about 4,000 square yards
paving cost about \$1,000.00

2700 feet of curb 1,000 feet 10 feet
wide 1,000 square yards

Abt 40,000 feet excavation

To all \$70,000.00

The \$25,000 bond issue would take
care of this providing the people
would pay the two thirds of the cost
and the amount we are to receive
from the State. If its equivalent could
be saved from this would grade and
put in condition every street on the
hill. This is only a summary of what
it's possible to do.

Now in order to pay this indebt-
edness we would have to create a re-
debtion fund as the \$100 we have
would pay only the interest. So it
would require a special levy to take
care of this indebtedness. This we
will have to do in any case. It will
be strictly a matter for your Council
to handle and as you elect them you
will be largely responsible for their
selection.

Paper Money Being Retired
New York Jan 21—Large blocks
of clearing house loan certificates
amounting to about \$16,000,000 were
retired and the amount outstanding is
now in the neighborhood of \$20,000,000.
It was stated at the clearing house
that the highest amount of certificates
outstanding at any time during the
financial crisis was \$100,000,000.

After the officers were installed the
regular business was taken up again
which a pleasant half hour was spent
making paper flowers. The meeting
was closed to meet again next Thurs-
day.

THE FRENCH MAIDS.

Burlesque Offering at the Casino The
atre January 27

The French Maids will be the
main burlesque offering at the Casino
Theatre Monday January 27. The
company comes to us with excellent
entertainments and the Standing
Room Only has been much in evi-
dence. The play promises to be a lit-
tle more than is usually understood
by the term burlesque. The list is
that of late years the term has been
misapplied. Skits and vaudevilles
have been offered under a title which
in past years was to be a brilliant ca-
rtoon on some popular story set to mu-
sic and replete with humor is almost
alone.

The management of The French
Maids has returned to the quality
and offers a real burlesque with cast
members mounted and brilliantly costumed.
In addition to all the resources of electricity in command
of making the ensemble equal to the
Broadway musical comedies.

The first part is a burletta entitled
"Night at the Circus." In two scenes
of course will be treated humor
ously still the picturesqueness of
the atmosphere will be the chief
attraction.

The finale will be a burlesque

of "The French Maid."

Colonel Robbins May Combine With
Butler County to Oppose Him
for Congress

GREENSBURG Jan 20—It is ton-
tatively agreed by Congressman
George F. Bentz's friends here that he
will be a candidate for reelection and
his partisans are already at work on
the campaign. Butler county has
served notice that it will not quiet
by and see the agreement made
with the old colleague system so
shattered and several have announced
they will seek the nomination with
the Pennsylvania and was the only
one to reach the supreme court.

Three Justices Dissent

Chief Justice Mitchell handed down

the opinion which was concurred in

by Justices Fell, Brown and Ekin.

Justice Montross, Stewart and Potter

held dissenting opinions.

Other railroads brought similar ac-
tions in several courts of the state but
the Pennsylvania and was the only one to
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The majority opinion written by
Chief Justice Mitchell declares that
the real question at issue is whether
the new law transgresses the provi-
sions of the constitution for the
legislative power to alter charters
shall be exercised in such a manner that
justice only shall be done to the cor-
porations. The Pennsylvania railroad
contended that as applied to them the
law could not be enforced because
under their charter they were entitled
to grant the right to change rates
at will. The court held that the law
was unconstitutional because the legis-
lature could not pass a law giving an
agreement which was entered into with
the state when the railroad was
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The exact question to be deter-
mined, Judge Mitchell's opinion de-
clares, is not the general constitu-
tionality of the act of 1907 but of the
right to enforce it against the applica-
tion. The same law in the constitu-
tion which authorized the legislature
to pass such a law did not pass a law
constitutional because the legis-
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The Fighting Chance.

... By ...
ROBERT W.
CHAMBERS.

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"One of those contemptible, parasite beeches," persisted Mortimer, getting redder and harsher, "who live on men like you. Confound you, Plank, what the devil do you mean by it?"

"Mortimer, are you crazy to talk to me like that?"

"No, I'm not, but you must be. I've a mind to drop the whole cursed business. I've every inclination to drop it. If you haven't horse sense enough—if you haven't innate delicacy sufficient to keep you from making such a break."

"I didn't. It wasn't a break, Mortimer. I wouldn't have hurt you."

"You did hurt me! How can I feel the same again? I never imagined you thought I was that sort of a social mercenary. Why, so little did I dream that you looked on our friendship in that light that I was—on my word of honor—was just now on the point of asking you for \$5,000 or \$4,000 to cover me to the month's end and square my bridge balance."

"Mortimer, you must take it! You are a fool to think I meant anything by saying I wanted to show my gratitude. Look here, be decent and fair with me. I wouldn't offer you an affront—would I even if I were a fool? I wouldn't do it now just when you're getting things into shape for me. I'm not a fool anyway."

"Mortimer, I tell you, Mortimer, and I'm getting angry about it. You've got to show your confidence in me. You've got to take what you want from me as you would from any friend."

There was a pause. A curious and uncustomed sensation had silenced Mortimer, something almost akin to shame. It astonished him a little. He did not quite understand why in the very moment of success over this old, shrewd young man and his crafty Dutch instincts he should feel uncomfortable. Were not his services worth something? Had he not earned at least the right to borrow from this rich man who could afford to pay for what was done for him? Why should he feel ashamed? He had not been treacherous; he really liked the fellow.

"We shouldn't be talking this money?" said Plank, extending a huge, highly colored hand.

"I think so," muttered Mortimer.

But Plank would not relinquish his hand.

"Then tell me how to draw that check. Great heaven, Mortimer, what is friendship, anyhow. If it doesn't include little matters like this—little misunderstandings like this? I'm the man to be sensitive, not you. You have been very good to me, Mortimer. I could almost wish you in a position where the only thing I possessed might require something of my debt to you."

A few minutes later, while he was sitting in the sleek, dusty youth in white clothes and spurs came in and found a seat by one of the windows, into which he dropped, and then looked about him for a servant.

"Hello, Fleetwood!" said Mortimer, clapping over his shoulder to see whose spurs were ringing on the polished floor.

Fleetwood saluted amably with his riding crop, including Plank, whom he did not know, in a more formal salute.

"Will you join us?" asked Mortimer, taking the check which Plank offered and carelessly pocketing it without even a nod of thanks. "You know Beverly Plank, of course? What? I thought everybody knew Beverly Plank."

Mr. Fleetwood and Mr. Plank shook hands and resumed their seats.

"Bidding, weather?" observed Fleetwood, replacing his hat and buttoning the glove which he had removed to shake hands with Plank. "Let off forty people out this morning, I say. Mortimer, do you want that roan hunter of mine you looked over? I mean King Ferrall, because Marion Page wants him if you don't. She was out this morning, and she spoke of it again."

Mortimer, lifting a replenished glass, shook his head and drank thirstily in silence.

" Saw you at Westbury, I think," said Fleetwood politely to Plank as the two lifted their glasses to one another.

"I hunted there for a day or two," replied Plank modestly. "If it's that big Irish thoroughbred you were riding that you want to sell, I'd like a look in if Miss Page doesn't fancy him."

Fleetwood laughed and glanced amusedly at Plank over his glass. "It isn't that horse, Mr. Plank. That's Dumeest, Stephen Steward's famous horse." He interlocked himself to exchange greetings with several men who came into the room, rather noisy, their spurs resounding across the oak-paned door. One of them, Tom O'Hara, joined them, slapping his crop on the desk beside Plank and spreading his seat over an armchair from the seat which he forcibly removed. Mortimer's feet without excuse.

"Drink! Of course I want a drink," he replied irritably to Fleetwood. "One, three, ten, several. Billy, whose weaselly bellied pants was that you were kicking your heels into in the park? Some of the squadron men asked me—the major. Oh, be good! Didn't know you were trying to stick Mortimer with blue. He might do for the troop ambulance—Inside. What? Oh, yes; met Mr. Black—I mean Mr. Plank—at

"You mean Plank or me?" demanded Mortimer, darkening angrily.

"No, I mean myself. I'm not that way usually. I took him for a boomer, and he's caught me with the goods on. I've been thinking that the man who bothers with such questions are usually open to suspicion themselves. Watch me do the civil now. I'm ashamed of myself."

"Wait a moment. Will you be civil enough to do something for him at the Patrons? That will mean something."

"Is he up? Yes, I will," and, turning in his chair, he said to Plank: "Awfully sorry I acted like a boomer just now after having accepted your hospitality at the Fells. I'd meant to be offensive, and I'm sorry for that too. I hope you'll overlook it and be friendly."

Plank's face took on the dark red hue of embarrassment. He looked questioningly at Mortimer, whose visage remained noncommittal, then directly at O'Hara.

"I should be very glad to be friends with you," he said, with an ingenuous dignity that surprised Mortimer. It was only the native simplicity of the man, veneered and polished by constant contact with Mrs. Mortimer and now showing to advantage in the grain. And it gratified Mortimer, because he saw that it was going to make many matters much easier for himself and his protege.

The tall glasses were filled and drained again before they departed to the cold plunge and dressing rooms above, whence presently they emerged in street garb to drive downtown and lunch together at the Luxor Club, Fleetwood as Fleetwood's guest.

"He's in town," replied Fleetwood. "He's taken his horses up to hunt. He isn't hunting, you know."

"He didn't say he was, but he's seen him anywhere," said Mortimer. "I guess his mother's death cut him up."

Fleetwood lifted his empty glass and gently shook the ice in it. "That, and the other business—is enough to cut any man up, isn't it?"

"You mean the action of the Lenox club?" asked Plank seriously.

"Yes. He's resigned from this club, too, I hear. Somebody told me that he has made a clean sweep of all his clubs. That's foolish. A man may be an eas to join too many clubs, but he's always a fool to resign from any of 'em. You ask the weatherwise what resigning from a club forecasts. It's the first ominous sign in a young man's career."

Under cover of a rapid fire exchange of pleasantries between Fleetwood and O'Hara, Plank turned to Mortimer, hesitating:

"I rather liked Steward when I met him at Shootover," he ventured. "I'm very sorry he's down and out."

"He drinks," shrugged Mortimer, diluting his mineral water with Irish whisky. "He can't let it alone. He's like all the Stewards."

"Mortimer doesn't care for Steward, but he's an awfully good fellow, all the same," said Fleetwood, turning to Plank. "He's been an ass, but who hasn't? I like him tremendously, and I feel very bad over the mess he made of it after that crazy dinner I gave in my rooms. What? You hadn't heard of it? Why, man, it's the talk of the clubs."

"I suppose that is why I haven't heard," said Plank simply. "My club is still in the future."

"Oh!" said Fleetwood, with an involuntary start, surprised, a trifle uncomfortable, yet somehow liking Plank, and not understanding why.

Mortimer continued a desultory discussion with O'Hara concerning a very private dinner which somebody had given to Quarrier and the Intercounty Electric people, which, if true, plainly indicated who was financing the Intercounty scheme and why Amalgamated stock had tumbled again yesterday and what might be looked for from the Algonquin Trust company's president.

"Amalgamated Electric doesn't seem to like it a little bit," said O'Hara.

"Ferrall, Belwater and Steward are in it up to their necks, and if Quarrier is really the god in the machine and he really is doing stunts with Amalgamated Electric and is also mixing feet with the Intercounty crowd, why, he's virtually paralleling his own road, and why, in the name of common sense, is he doing that? He'll kill it, that's what he'll do."

"I heard," said Fleetwood, lighting a cigarette, "that he did deny it; but he said, no matter what his condition was, he couldn't have done it. If he had been sober, the governor would have been bound to take his word of honor. But he couldn't give that you. And after they pointed out to him that he had been in no condition to know exactly what he did, he shut up. And they dropped him, and he's failing yet."

"Lord! I wish Steward were back here. He was a good deal of a man, after all, Tom."

They were unconsciously using the past tense in discussing Steward, as though he were dead, or her physically or socially.

"In one way he was always a singularly decent man," mused O'Hara.

"How exactly do you mean?"

"Oh, about women!"

"I believe it is. He did take that Vyse girl into the Patrons; it was his fault with her, and I believe his fault with any woman. He was absurdly decent that way. He was, indeed. And now look at the reputation he has. Isn't it funny? Is it he, now?"

"What sort of an effect do you suppose all this business is going to have on Steward?"

"It's had one effect already," replied Fleetwood. "Ferrall says he's going sick, and Belwater says he's going to the devil, but that's the sort of thing the major is likely to say. By the way, wasn't there something between that pretty Lancia girl and Steward? Somebody—some possible somebody—talked about it somewhere recently."

"I don't believe that, either," said Plank in his heavy, measured, noseless voice as they descended the steps of the white porico and looked around for a cab.

"As for me, I've got to huddle," observed O'Hara, glancing at his watch. "I'm due to shine at a function about 8. Are you coming uptown, either of you fellows? I'll give you a lift as far as Seventy-second street, Plank."

"Tell you what we'll do," said Fleetwood impulsively, turning to Plank. "We'll drive downtown, you and I, and then we'll look up poor old Steward. Shall we? He's probably all alone in that God forsaken red brick family tomb. Shall we? How about it, Plank?"

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